



FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The applications will also be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking

activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than April 14, 2014.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (Adam M. Drimer, Assistant Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *Park Sterling Corporation*, Charlotte, North Carolina, to acquire 100 percent of the voting securities of Provident Community Bancshares, Inc., Rock Hill, South Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire control of Provident Community Bank, National Association, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. King, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *First Interstate BancSystem*, Billings, Montana, to merge with Mountain West Financial Corp., Helena, Montana, and thereby indirectly acquire Mountain West Bank, N.A., Helena, Montana.

2. *Security Financial Services Corporation*, Durand, Wisconsin, to merge with Bloomer Bancshares, Inc., Bloomer, Wisconsin, and thereby indirectly acquire Peoples State Bank of Bloomer, Bloomer, Wisconsin.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 14, 2014.

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Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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